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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

Group Art Unit: 2617

Docket No.: SONYJP 3.3-1048

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Patent Application of:     | :                       |
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| Shigeru Sugaya                   | :                       |
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| Application No.: 10/506,461      | : Group Art Unit: 2617  |
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| Filed: July 11, 2005             | : Examiner: F. A. Casca |
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| For: WIRELESS COMMUNICATION      | :                       |
| APPARATUS, SYSTEM, AND DEVICE    |                         |
| COMMUNICATING WITH ANOTHER       |                         |
| WIRELESS COMMUNICATION           |                         |
| APPARATUS, SYSTEM, AND DEVICE IN |                         |
| AN AUTONOMOUS DISTRIBUTED        |                         |
| NETWORK WITHOUT A DESIGNATED     |                         |
| CONTROL STATION AND METHOD       |                         |
| THEREOF                          |                         |

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2010, finally rejecting claims 1-13 and 15-25, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: